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**Eagle River Valley Community Council
Resolution No. 2024-2**

A resolution requesting a review of the Eagle River-Chugiak Parks and Recreation operating and capital improvements budgets and all contracts affecting our service area.

WHEREAS, the Eagle River-Chugiak Park and Recreational Service Area (ERCPRSA) was established by Municipal Charter to provide park and recreational services and capital improvements within the service area; and,

WHEREAS, funds to support ERCPRSA services and capital improvements are raised through local mill levy; and,

WHEREAS, Section 27.20.100 of the Municipal Code established an Eagle River-Chugiak Parks and Recreation board of supervisors to advise and assist the department of cultural and recreational services in administering the services to be provided within the area; and,

WHEREAS, the Eagle River-Chugiak Parks and Recreation board of supervisors consists of a representative and an alternate elected by each community council in the service area and one member at large appointed by the mayor and confirmed by the assembly; and,

WHEREAS, the annual budget, and any subsequent changes, are to be prepared by the municipal administration and reviewed and approved by the Eagle River-Chugiak Parks and Recreation board of supervisors; and,

WHEREAS, the board is responsible for establishing policy guidelines and priorities for the guidance of the municipal administration and department of cultural and recreational services; and,

WHEREAS, the board is charged with reviewing and commenting to the assembly on all proposed capital projects for the improvement of parks and recreation under the jurisdiction of the service area; and,

WHEREAS, the board shall review and comment to the assembly on all proposed contracts for services within the service area submitted to the assembly; and,

WHEREAS, the Eagle River-Chugiak Parks and Recreation manager is charged with keeping the Eagle River-Chugiak Parks and Recreation board of supervisors apprised of program changes; and,

WHEREAS, the role of the Eagle River-Chugiak Parks and Recreation manager is to keep the

board of supervisors informed on amendments to the budget; and

WHEREAS, the board of supervisors has a fiduciary responsibility for Eagle River-Chugiak Parks and Recreation capital and operating budgets; and

WHEREAS, the board of supervisors are elected by the community councils to represent the priorities and desires of their respective council; and

WHEREAS, elected representatives from the Eagle River Valley Community Council have expressed concerns regarding changes to the Eagle River-Chugiak Parks and Recreation operating and capital improvement budgets, project priorities, and Harry J. MacDonald Memorial (Mac) Center contract made without the board of supervisors review and approval; and,

WHEREAS, there should be a regular, publicly available accounting of projects, funds tied to projects, and project status as well as annual operational costs; and,

WHEREAS, a regularly scheduled general membership meeting of the Eagle River Valley Community Council was held on October 9, 2024 and a quorum was established;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Eagle River Valley Community Council requests transparency and accountability regarding the budgeting, management, and allocation of taxpayer funds by the Eagle River-Chugiak Parks and Recreation Division, particularly those intended for parks and recreation services and improvements within the service area.

This Resolution was passed unanimously on October 12, 2024.



Julie K. Jessen, President